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## COMMENT OF THE DAY Future Of Persia

WHILE Dr Mossadegh is in The Hague, fighting the British claim to rights in the Persian oil dispute, there are signs, as a special correspondent indicated last week, that in Persia itself a powerful section of those who formerly supported the Premier, believes that he is handling his country's affairs badly. But even if The Hague Court were to decide that it has jurisdiction in the oil dispute and were to follow up, far more quickly than precedent suggests, with a judgment in favour of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, Dr Mossadegh's position would probably remain strong. While individual Senators might go over to the Opposition, it would appear that Mossadegh could stay in office if he chose. And despite his reported intention to withdraw from public office after The Hague Court hearing, it is far more likely that he will continue to strive to retain his political dominance. Setting aside the Communist Tudeh Party, strongly organised but few in number, the broad division of Persian opinion comes between reformers who are incidentally Nationalist, and the class of landlords and officials who talk about reform as glibly as anyone, but who obstruct it with every sort of artifice whenever there is danger of it taking place. Dr Mossadegh has supporters among both these sections.

EVER since 1944, when Russia was the adversary and not Britain, Dr Mossadegh has shown himself as the boldest, stubbornest opponent of concessions and foreign influence in Parliament and the Press. Himself one of the governing class, but not discredited, by too close or too long a connection with government in the past, he could be heard when other Nationalists, who were neither landlords nor officials, had no effective means of reaching the public. In this way Dr Mossadegh has made himself for many Persians the embodiment of Nationalism. Similarly the landlords and officials commonly support him for fear he should be succeeded by genuine reformers. The reformers on their part are inclined to support him because the most likely alternative appears to be a landlord government which might compromise with die-hard Nationalist aspirations.

EVENTS have shown that neither conservatives nor reformers have any organisation nor formulated policy. There are no parties, only trends of opinion confused by cross-currents and hampered by personal rivalries. And a politician as astute as Dr Mossadegh finds no difficulty in playing one against the other. The Premier's opponents among the reformers have expressed the opinion that a reactionary period must end by strengthening the Tudeh Party with the prospect of eventually bringing Persia behind the Iron Curtain, but not many of them appear to have perceived that Dr Mossadegh has already succeeded in foisting his own reactionary inclinations on the country, while keeping public attention fixed on the oil dispute to divert it from the changes it thinks necessary. Dr Mossadegh, therefore, is likely to fall from grace as the nation's leader when enough of the reformers see how he has hauled them. The obvious danger is that by then it will be too late to prevent a revolution the results of which may mean the loss of the country's independence and sovereignty to Soviet dominance.

## Growing Agitation For Eden To Be Made Britain's Deputy P.M.

London, June 22. A storm raged around the 77-year-old Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, today with demands that he resign or at least surrender part of his powers to his "trusted deputy", Mr Anthony Eden.

Less than eight months after Britons had voted the wartime leader back into office, even members of Mr Churchill's own Conservative Party were questioning the success of his rule as peacetime Premier.

## Steel Chiefs Assailed By Murray

### Misrepresentation Campaign Alleged

Gary, Indiana, June 22.

Mr Philip Murray, President of the striking CIO United Steelworkers Union declared yesterday: "The Taft-Hartley Law will not manufacture steel."

In a scathing speech that denounced the steel industry and Congressmen who would use the law to end the nationwide walkout, Mr Murray hinted the Union would not bow to an injunction under the Act.

He addressed a rally of an estimated 8,000 Gary steel workers, some of whom carried placards reading "We as free Americans will not work under the Taft-Hartley injunction".

Mr Murray charged: "Over on Capitol Hill, attempts are being made to suppress organised labour in the United States. Now they seek imposition of the infamous Taft-Hartley Act. Taft-Hartley will not manufacture steel."

From Eden and Churchill themselves there was only silence.

Despite pressure from outside, Mr Eden is expected to remain Foreign Secretary, at least until West German rearmament and the European Army are further along the road.

A columnist in the Conservative Sunday Times noted: "The Foreign Secretary is that something rare and always reassuring thing in political life, a square peg in a square hole."

Those who advocate Mr Eden's shift from the Foreign Office list three reasons: to relieve Churchill of his heavy duties; to give the Conservative more vigorous leadership in the House of Commons; and to prepare the 55-year-old Eden for the Churchill mantle.

He added that the issues of the strike were being "deliberately and repeatedly distorted" and the big companies had ganged up to prevent smaller firms from signing contracts. He said two small firms offered to settle with the union because they believed its demands to be reasonable, but told the Union that if they did not the Union that if they did they would be blacklisted by the big producers.

Observers interpreted Mr Murray's remarks as a possible attempt to drive a wedge between the big firms and smaller firms. Despite his statements, the union recently announced the signing of contracts with nine small producers.

Mr Murray criticised General Dwight Eisenhower in connection with his remarks about the Taft-Hartley law.

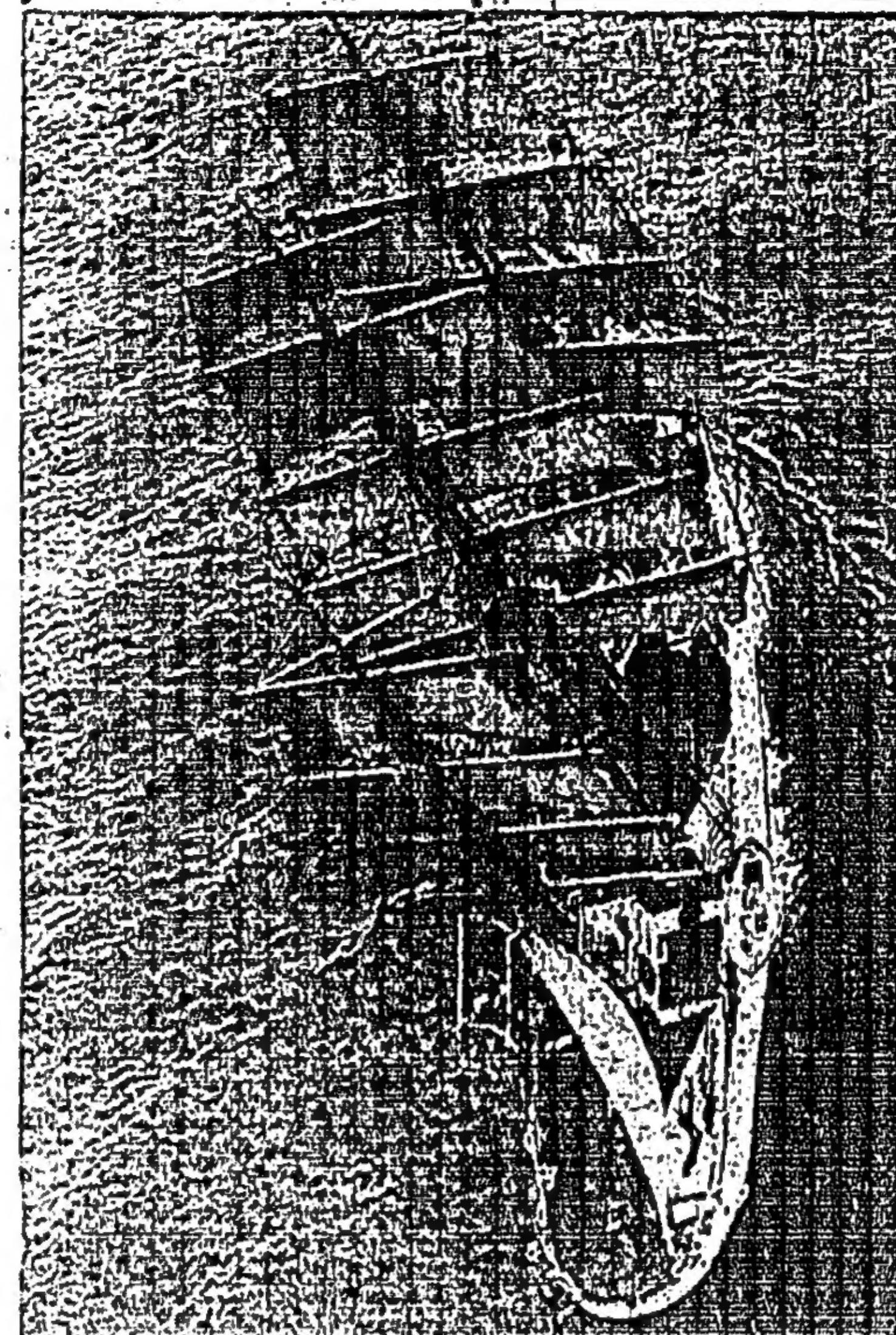
He said: "He gets back, hardly gets the salt out of his hair, puts on a civilian suit, then, without knowing the facts of the case, he says: 'I don't see why they don't use the Taft-Hartley Act.'"

Mr Murray also charged that Clarence Randall, president of the Inland Steel Company, was "guilty of deliberately lying." He said Mr Randall, in a television appearance, charged that he (Murray) and President Truman had made a "deal"—United Press.

## Mountbatten To Meet Tito

Bulgaria, June 22. An official announcement stated here today that the British Admiral, Lord Louis Mountbatten, the Commander-in-Chief of the British Mediterranean Forces, would meet Marshal Tito at the latter's summer residence of Brioni on June 26. Lord Mountbatten is to reach the Yugoslav port of Rijeka on board the cruiser "Glasgow"—France-Presse.

## Sight For Londoners



## Soviets File Protests To America

### TWO ALLEGED OFFENCES IN EAST GERMANY

Berlin, June 22. Soviet Russia made two protests today to America, alleging that shots were fired from an American military train at East German police and that American aircraft made "illegal flights" over East German territory.

The protests, reported in the East German newspaper Neues Deutschland, were both delivered to the American Deputy Chief of Staff by his opposite number in East Germany, General Trusow.

General Trusow charged that someone in the American military train fired at East German police and a station master standing on the platform as the train passed through the East German station of Babelsburg, near Berlin, last Thursday. He demanded an investigation.

The Neues Deutschland did not say if anyone was wounded.

The American military train makes daily trips from Berlin to Frankfurt.

American officials were not available in Berlin today to confirm receipt of the protests or to comment.

British and French military authorities also ran daily trains from Berlin across East Germany, along the Baltic coast and along the three air corridors to West Berlin from West Germany.

The other protest said an American aircraft, about 8 a.m. local time, on the same day crossed the East German frontier and flew over the Thuringian towns of Ilmenau, Phribach, Eisenach, Hellestadt and Tschortewitz.

At 10 a.m., local time that day, a single engine American aircraft twice crossed the East German Baltic coastline at Hellingenhausen, near Rostock, and in the area of Damgarten, between Rostock and Stralsund, the protest added.

General Trusow renewed his protest, demanding that the American authorities take strong measures to prevent similar violations.

The protests began after the shooting up of a French civil airliner by Soviet fighters on April 29. Last month East German Deputy Premier Walter Ulbricht declared at an East Berlin press conference that Allied planes could not "fly about as they like over East Germany."

He alleged that Allied planes had left the air corridor to Berlin deliberately to take aerial photographs and "pave the way for terror bombers."

All services suffered a setback when a huge boulder loosened by an explosion crashed on the main line of the central railway in Western Ghats province about 70 miles from here.—United Press.

## Lorry Crashes Into Bedroom

Luton, June 22. An eight-wheel lorry crashed into a downstairs bedroom in Castle Street, Luton, today, but the sleepers—Muriel Lambert, 17, and her cousin Carol, 14—escaped injury.

Muriel said: "In my sleep I seemed to hear a terrible rushing noise that made me pull the bedclothes over our heads at the moment of the crash. Glass was shattered from a window all over the bed. I woke to hear the lorry driver shouting 'Get out if you are still alive!'"

Mr and Mrs Lambert, sleeping upstairs, ran down to find a lorry in the bedroom and the two girls covered with debris.

Reuter.

## Cyclone Hits Rawalpindi

Karachi, June 22.

A 70-mile per hour cyclone struck the city of Rawalpindi yesterday evening, killing three people and cutting the city's communications with the outside world, it was reported here today.

The dust-laden gale struck the town, about 700 miles northeast of here, and blotted out the sun. Street lights were turned on, but the power supply failed.

Property worth several hundred thousand rupees was wrecked during the 15 minutes the cyclone raged, and traffic was halted by debris in the streets.

Many people were injured as houses crashed and roofs and signboards flew through the air.

Torrential rain, which followed, flooded the lower parts of the city and lightning set fire to one house.

Communications were slowly being restored today as the battered city came to life, pleased about only one thing, the cyclone reduced the sweltering temperature of 110 degrees to 80 degrees.—Reuter.

16 INS OF RAIN.

Bombay, June 22. Monsoon rains disrupted air and rail services in the Indian subcontinent today as 10 inches of rainfall were recorded within 48 hours here.

Six airmen were diverted from Bombay to Ahmedabad, 400 miles north, where heavy rains caused a "near standstill" of the air frontier violations.

Meanwhile, West German authorities in Wittenberg, Hesse, said Russians and East German police early today moved an interzonal road barrier 100 yards westwards along the road from Asbach, Thuringia, to Bad Soden-Alendorf, Hesse.

East German workers immediately began extending the "security belt" in the area, chopping down trees to give a better view of the road leading into West Germany.—Reuter.

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## Soviet Warning To Egypt

Calais, July 22.

The Soviet Union has warned Egypt that the proposed Western four-power Defence Command would drag the Middle East into "an aggressive adventure" and that Russia would regard Egypt's eventual participation in such a project "an unfriendly if not hostile act," well-informed diplomatic circles said here today.—Reuters.

Inside the prison, the known death toll stood at 16—11 guards and five civilian officials, who were killed when they tried to stop the break with the help of their inmates. But the authorities said at least 100 others died in the flight to the mainland.

So Paulo newspaper reporters, in dialogue from the island, put the death toll at 100 or more and said 60 prisoners joined the guards in attempts to put down the rebellion. It was through the aid of local prisoners—that Captain Ferreira and women and children on the island escaped death, the dispatches said.

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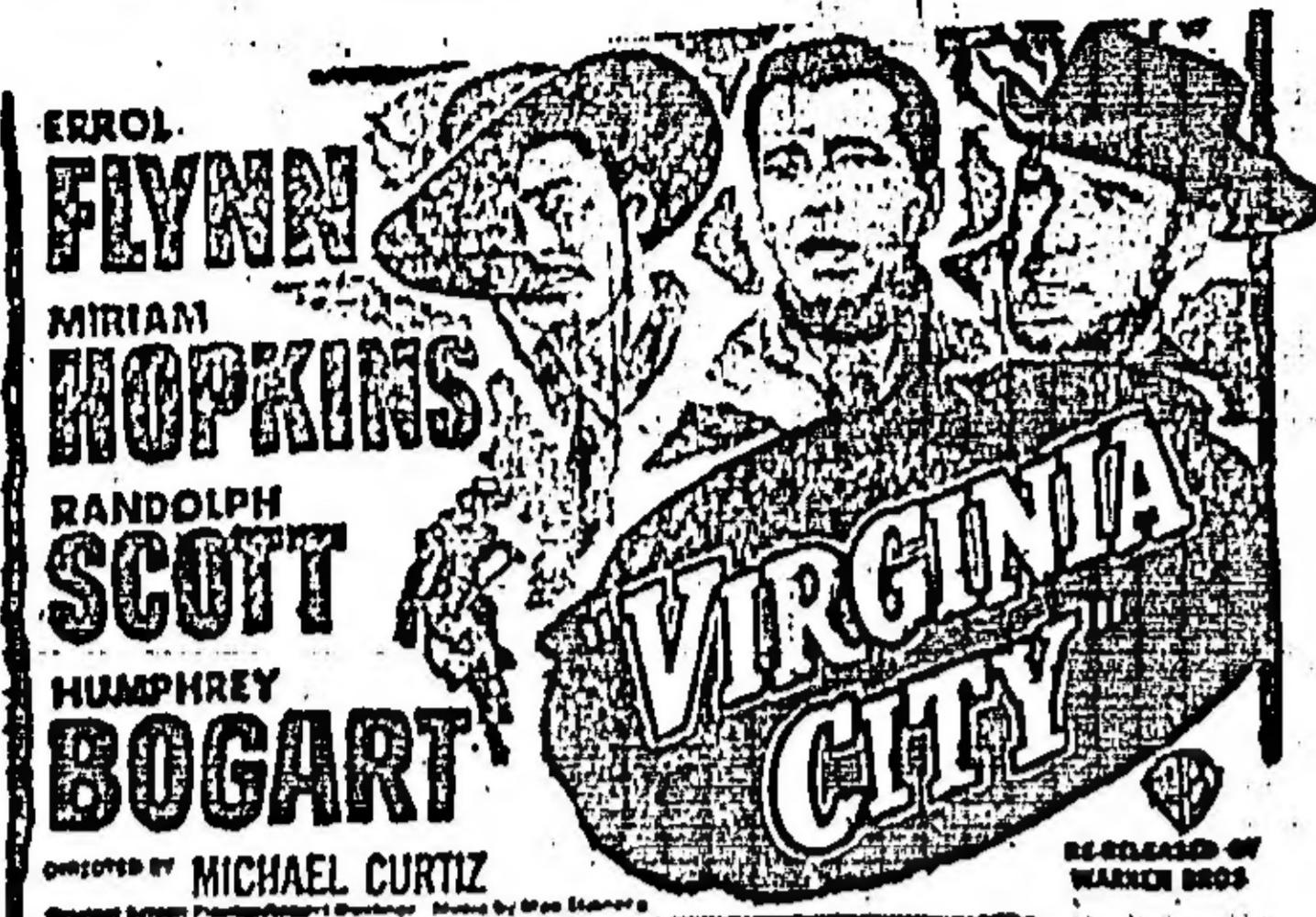
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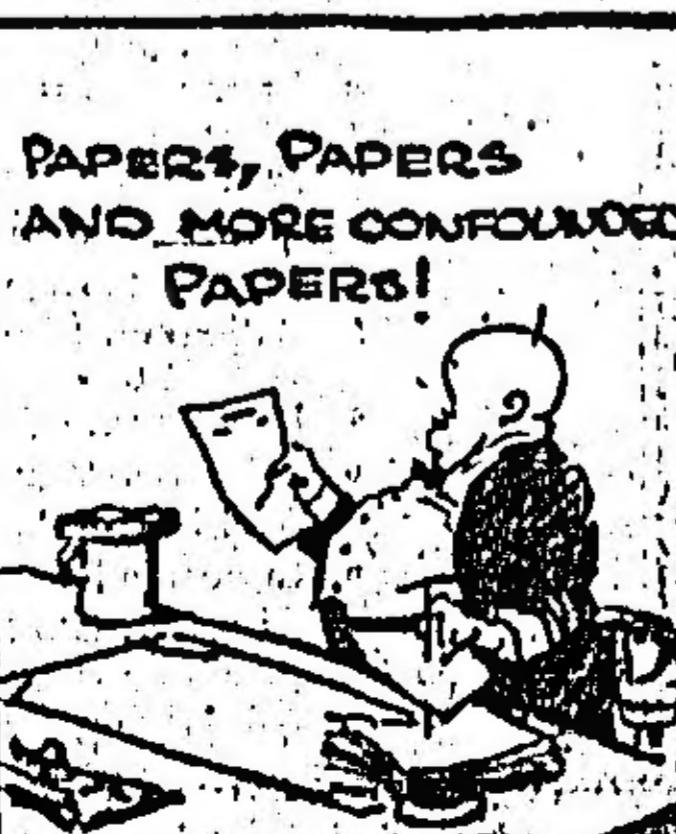
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## Grim Find By Archaeologists

Mexico City, June 22. Government archaeologists today announced the discovery of a huge Mayan underground sacrificial chamber 80 feet below the main temple at Palenque in Chiapas State.

The bones of six sacrificed youths were found at the sealed doorway to the chamber and inside were the skulls of other humans presumably sacrificed there.

The discovery culminated three years' excavation down a secret stone staircase uncovered during previous digging at the Mayan worship centre. The walls of the chamber are covered with skeletal carvings. — Associated Press.

# MPs' Anxiety Over Use Of Veto Power By Dominions

London, June 23. The Prime Minister, Mr Churchill, was asked in the House of Commons whether an undertaking could be given that when grant of Dominion status was under consideration, no single Dominion would have a veto power.

The possibility of the use of a veto power by South Africa was suggested by Labour Members. Mr Churchill thought it better to wait for a specific case to arise than to endeavour to lay down broad general affirmations so long beforehand.

The subject was raised in a question from a Labour Member, Sir Richard Acland, regarding a statement made in Accra by the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the conditions in which Dominion status could be granted to new parts of the Commonwealth.

He asked whether that statement represented the policy of Her Majesty's Government.

The Prime Minister, The Secretary of State for the Colonies has informed me that he made it clear in his discussions in the Gold Coast that while the grant to Colonies dependent upon the United Kingdom of responsible self-government within the Commonwealth is a matter for the United Kingdom Government and the territory concerned, if any question were to arise of the admission of a Colony to full and independent membership of the Commonwealth all existing members would be consulted. This is in accordance with the views of the United Kingdom Government.

Sir R. Acland: Whilst appreciating that all would be consulted, would the Prime Minister take notice that the B.B.C. reported the Secretary of State as saying that the grant of Dominion status would require the common consent of all existing Dominions and that the statement in that form would imply not merely that the Dominions would be consulted, but that, for example, Dr Malan

would have a power of veto? Is

"We must make quite clear the distinction between the grant of responsible self-government within the Commonwealth and the grant of a Colony to full and independent membership of the Commonwealth, which is of course a matter for all members of the Commonwealth. All steps towards responsible self-government within the Commonwealth are a matter between us and the territory concerned, and we must make that distinction quite clear and abide by it."

Her Majesty's present Government endorse that.

**EVENTS IN AFRICA**

Mr J. Griffiths, Secretary of State for the Colonies in the last Labour Government: While welcoming the Prime Minister's reaffirmation of what has been the policy of successive Governments, that the right to grant self-government and the degree of self-government to Colonies is the prerogative of Her Majesty's Government and not of any other Government, may I ask the Prime Minister whether, in view of circumstances in South Africa, he will consider the desirability of making it clear that when Her Majesty's Government come to consider the "problem" of Dominion status, no single member of the Commonwealth would have a veto upon the granting of even that status?

The Prime Minister: That is going further, in defining the action that could be taken in cases which have not yet arisen, than would be advisable at the present time.

Mr Griffiths: While agreeing that that would be adding to the Government at the present moment to go further than Governments have gone in previous months or years, may I ask the Prime Minister, to consider, in view of what is happening in Africa and the concern which is felt about that in our British Colonies, whether the time has not come and circumstances do not now warrant going further and giving that undertaking?

**BETTER TO WAIT**

The Prime Minister: I think in these matters it is very often better to wait until a specific case arises than to endeavour to lay down broad general affirmations so long beforehand.

Sir R. Acland: Has not the Colonial Secretary, in fact gone further, at any rate as reported, than the existing understanding, that whereas consultation, as has been previously said, has been accepted on both sides of the House, the implied common consent was required?

Should not that report be corrected if it is wrong?

The Prime Minister: I am not conscious of any difference between the views of the present Government and the late Government on this important issue.

— London Express Service.

**FLIGHT OF 7,000 MILES**

Examples of other long journeys include that of a swallow (Abisko to Cape Province) and an Arctic tern (Ayrshire to Durban). In both cases the distance is between 7,000 and 8,000 miles, which is not considered unusual for these birds.

A wood warbler reached Florence from Ullswater in just over two months and a mallard migrated from Essex to Finland.

Mr F. A. D. Holloway, a member of the Ringing Committee, said:

"Apart from the Manx shearwater, the movement of the robins was most unusual. They were migrating, probably from Scandinavia, at the time."

— London Express Service.

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Franco-Vietnam Commandos make a landing during Operation Ardoise, the name given for the destruction of communications behind the Vietnamese lines at Me Due in the centre of Annam during the Indo-China war.—Express Photo.

## Record, Oil Production

London, June 22. The Iraq Petroleum Company's production of crude oil in the northern Kirkuk area last month reached 1,301,000 long tons, nearly double the January figure, the company announced today.

This equals an annual rate of 16 million long tons.

The company attributed the increase to the installation of its new 30-inch pipeline which is now pumping the oil direct from Kirkuk across hundreds of miles of desert to Banias, 550 miles away on the Syrian coast.

The British Petroleum Company also announced a record production figure for the month of 214,723 long tons, equal to an annual rate of 2,500,000 long tons.

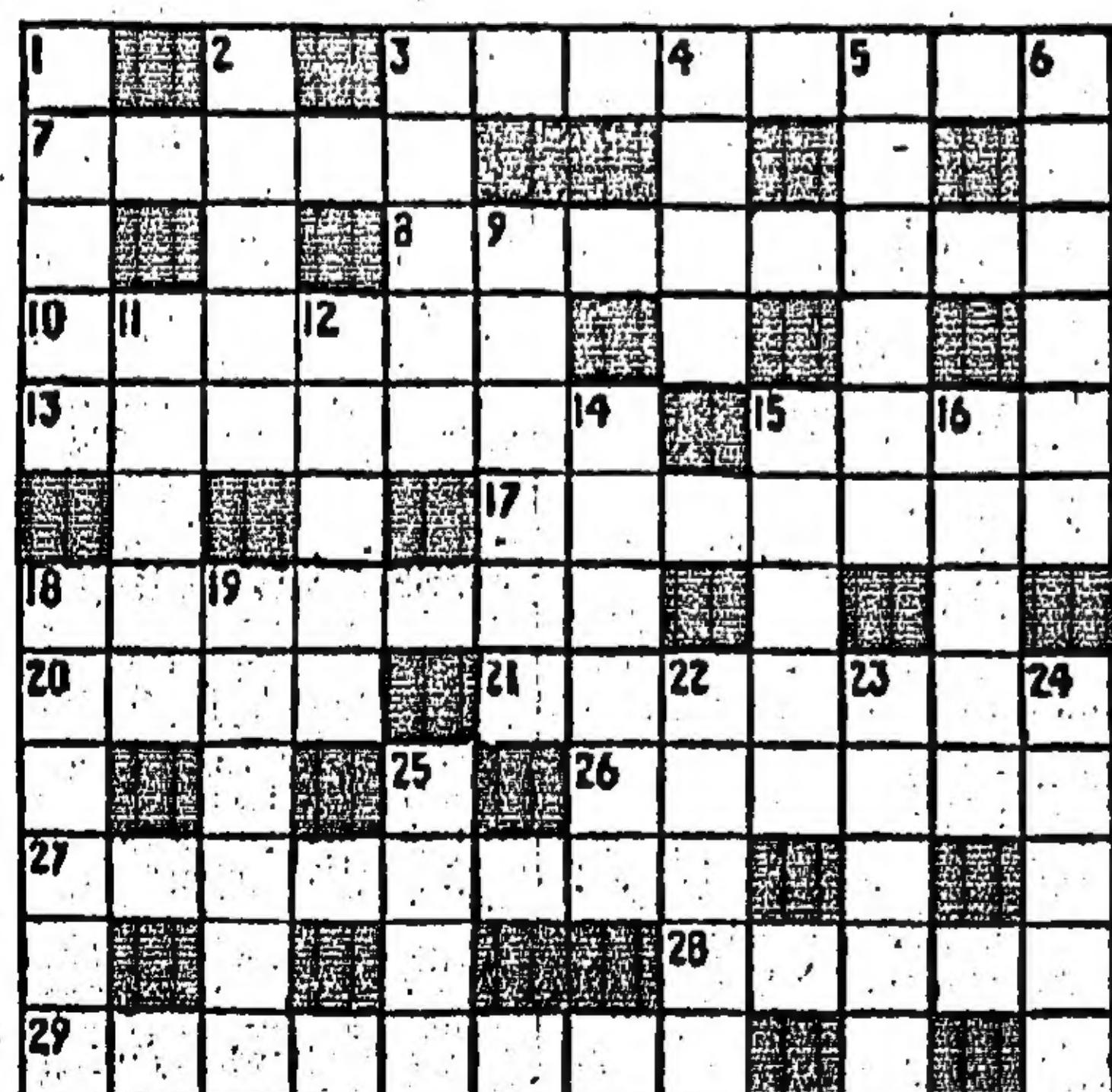
The Iraq Petroleum Company's other associate, Petroleum Development (Qatar) produced 250,201 long tons.—Reuter.

## Mother's Tragic Flight

Hull, June 22. Mrs Elizabeth Houghton, of Hull, who was informed yesterday that the petition for reprieve of her son, Corporal Tom Houghton, under sentence of death in the Canal Zone, had failed, left Lyneham in a Royal Air Force transport plane for Egypt.

Corporal Houghton was sentenced to death for the murder of a British officer, and his execution has been fixed for June 24.—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

3. Became liable to (3).

7. Pale (6).

8. Flatters (6).

10. Mud (6).

13. Forces (7).

15. Quote as an example (4).

17. Everlasting (7).

18. Full (7).

20. Lazy (4).

21. Pierced (7).

23. Vegetable (6).

27. Words on a gravestone (8).

28. Claw (5).

29. Dobers temporarily (8).

## Opposition In West Germany To Treaty Ratification DELAY CERTAIN

Bonn, June 22.

West German Government officials now realise that, despite Ministerial optimism, many months will pass before Parliament can take its final vote on Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's treaties with the West.

Opinions expressed by influential West German politicians and newspapers since the treaties were signed over three weeks ago show that four main factors will probably contribute to the delay. Senior Allied officials say in private conversation that the conventions ending the occupation and the European Army treaty cannot possibly be ratified by all participating countries before the end of the year.

The four main delaying factors in West Germany are:

1. Anxiety over German unity. Influential members of the Government coalition parties, especially the Free Democrats and the German Party, want every possibility of an East-West agreement on German unification to be "explored" before West Germany joins the Atlantic defence front.

Failure to do this would expose the Coalition parties to damaging attacks by Dr Kurt Schumacher's opposition Social Democrats at next summer's general elections.

2. Constitutional difficulties.

Since West Germany's written

constitution makes no mention of defence, the Constitutional Court at Karlsruhe has been asked by President Theodor Heuss to rule whether Dr Adenauer may rearm without amending the Constitution. This ruling is not expected for about three months.

3. STIFF RESISTANCE

Dr Adenauer, whose Christian Democratic Party is mainly responsible for the Federal Constitution, is also up against stiff resistance from the nine State governments which make up the Upper House (Bundesrat) at Bonn. They have rejected his argument that they are not entitled to vote on the treaties. When they do vote, there is no certainty that they will vote for them.

4. War criminals. Dr Erich Mende, a prominent member of Vice-Chancellor Franz Bleuher's Free Democrats, said last week that ex-soldiers in the Bundestag—there are over 100—will not vote for the treaties until the war criminals problem has been solved.

Dr Mende, who is reckoned among the candidates for the post of Defence Minister, is dissatisfied with the treaty arrangement for a mixed Allied-German Board which is to make recommendations for clemency. He wants a revision of the sentences according to German law—not Allied law as pronounced at Nuremberg.

5. The Saar. The Bundesrat, in its defence debate last March, voted for a solution of the Saar question as one of its conditions for rearmament. Dr Adenauer is at present leaving the Saar question on ice, but political observers agree that he will have to reopen it with France in the next few months.

Parliament's Steering Committee will try to decide next Thursday when the first reading of the treaties is to be held. The Government hopes to get all three readings over before the holiday recess begins on July 20.

But few deputies think there is the slightest chance of finishing even the committee stage before then.—Reuter.

6. COMMUNIST CALL

Berlin, June 22. German Communists and anti-Communists in East and West Berlin today called for better understanding with the Russian people in ceremonies commemorating the 11th anniversary of Germany's onslaught on Russia.

The emphasis in East Germany was on acknowledging the Soviet Union as "the saviour of Europe from Hitlerite fascism."

In West Berlin, the Lord Mayor, Professor Ernest Reuter, appealed for an end to hate and revengeful feelings against the Russian people because of events in the last few years.

"We must not go on making the mistake of identifying the Russian individual with his regime," Mayor Reuter said.

Throughout East Germany, armed police formed guards of honour at Soviet war memorials and thousands of working-class Germans laid wreaths.

Communist speakers at these ceremonies, organised by the German-Russian Friendship Society, vowed that the German people would never repeat its criminal attack upon the Soviet Union.

INNER WEAKNESS

London, June 22. Dr Scott Lidgett, 77-year-old founder of the Bermondsey Settlement, was taken to hospital after collapsing half-way through a sermon.

He was preaching on the theme of "God as the End" at the Mostyn-Road Methodist Church, Brixton, when he slumped to the floor.

The Rev. T. Harold Wood hurried to him and stood by his side. He asked for the last hymn to be sung, and then five members of the congregation carried Dr Lidgett to the vestry.

An ambulance took him to King's College Hospital, and an hour later he recovered sufficiently to return to his home at Tonbridge, Kent.

Mr. Wood said later: "The preaching of four weekly sermons was rather a strain for him."

At present prices these coal exports should earn some £60,000 of foreign exchange as compared with coal earnings of just under £30,000,000 last year.

"Most of the coal is going to Europe."—Reuter.

## 100 Families Get 3 a.m. Fire Warning

## Fire Warning

London, June 22.

Thirty fire engines, 130 officers and men, of the London Fire Brigade turned out at 3 a.m. to fight a blaze in a five-storey flour mill at Brunswick-road, Poplar, in London's dockland.

Flames could be seen three miles away.

Chiefs of the brigade took charge of operations. Fire floats pumped water from the River Lea. Firemen concentrated on preventing the flames from spreading to nearby warehouses.

Extra police were called out to warn people living in nearby flats to prepare to evacuate their homes. More than 100 families gathered their belongings and stood by.

Squad cars, cordoned off the area and every fire-station in London was warned to be ready to send out further reinforcements.

Firemen had to leap to safety when the roof of the 150ft-high mill collapsed, sending up a cloud of sparks which showered down on surrounding buildings.

## TO INCREASE COAL EXPORT

Birmingham, June 22.

The Government has decided to increase by another 1,000,000 tons Britain's coal exports this year, bringing the total export of all grades up to 12,500,000. It was announced today by Mr Geoffrey Lloyd, Minister of Fuel.

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"Most of the coal is going to Europe."—Reuter.

## First Lord On Qualities Of Leadership

Rugby, June 22.

"There do not seem to be enough young men of the right type who wish to make the Navy their career today," the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr J. P. L. Thomas, said at a Speech Day at his old school, Rugby, this afternoon.

"That is a pity for them and for their country," he added.

"Boys are not inclined to books; they have got also to be used to gain practical experience to make one a general all-rounder. It really is this rather than books that qualifies for leadership."

He sometimes watched would-be cadets for Dartmouth being examined. However good their book work might be, the Interviewing Board set great store on a boy's practical qualities. If not an all-rounder, then he would probably not make a good officer in the Navy.—Reuter.

## ISRAELI POLICE SQUAD MAKES SURPRISE MOVE UN Offices Occupied

Jerusalem, June 22. Israeli military police today continued their occupation of the United Nations Mixed Armistice Commission offices here to prevent United Nations officials opening a mysterious 50-gallon petrol drum seized from an Israeli convoy.

For over 48 hours the Israelis, armed with sub-machineguns, have refused to allow United Nations officials to open the drum. It was due to have been opened last Friday at noon in the presence of Jewish and Arab observers.

The drum was removed for inspection on June 4 on the orders of a United Nations officer from a Jewish supply convoy which is allowed to pass once a fortnight through Arab-controlled territory to Hadassa Hospital, on Mount Scopus, overlooking Jerusalem.

An Israeli officer refused to allow the drum to be opened for inspection and ordered it to be returned to Jewish-controlled Jerusalem.

Israeli and Arab Legion troops began to move up on each other, and to avoid a clash, General Bonnet de Ridder, Belgian chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission, ordered the drum to be taken to his offices and placed under United Nations guard.

The drum has since remained in a locked room, with no more clue to the mystery of its contents than there was 18 days ago when United Nations officials rolled it off a Jewish lorry.

DAY AND NIGHT

A few minutes before it was to have been opened last Friday, Jewish troops under the command of a captain moved into the offices, which stand just inside Jewish territory near demilitarised zone at the Mandelbaum Gate. They posted armed men on the stairs and along a passage outside the locked room containing the mystery drum where they have maintained their blockade for two days, despite protests by United Nations officials to the Jewish authorities.

United Nations guards are also keeping up a watch day and night over the building containing the drum.

The mystery looks like being unsolved until the return of General James Van Fleet, the 8th Army Commander in Korea, and others.

United Nations officials here on the way back to London after his tour of the Korean front and talks with the United Nations Command in Tokyo.

He said at the airport that he was very much impressed by what he had seen.

The United Nations Commander, General Mark Clark, had explained the situation very clearly to him at the beginning of his visit to the Korean area. Then he had been briefed in great detail by General James Van Fleet, the 8th Army Commander in Korea, and others.

He said he had gone into the frontline with the Commonwealth Division in Korea. He also visited the Kojo prison camp and had been briefed on the situation there by General Bonner, who was appointed Commander of the Kojo camp after the disturbances there.

The Defence Minister was met at the airport by the United States Defence Secretary, Mr Robert Lovett, the Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Omar Bradley, and British Embassy officials.

Lord Alexander is to confer with his American counterpart, Mr. Lovett, and other United States officials during his three-day visit. They will discuss defence problems and the Minister's impressions of the Korean war.—Reuter.

## SHARPER NO. 1"

## Submarine Volcano Spreading

Manila, June 22.

A submarine volcano coming to life after a 92-year sleep has pushed a spreading mass of red-hot rock 250 feet above the Pacific Ocean and set the seas boiling.

The volcano, 315 miles north of here, was discovered in March by the freighter Bright Star. Then it covered five acres, but now it covers 600 acres.

Above it towers a 10,000-foot column of smoke and sulphurous steam.

Tumbol about it are huge boulders, some five storeys high.

The new volcano is on almost the same spot where a century ago an undersea eruption thrust the formation now known as the Dildicas Rocks 700 feet above the sea.

The eruption ended 92 years ago.

The pilot of an American plane which flew over the new Dildicas said it first looked to be surrounded by surf. As he flew closer it became apparent that the white-sleek water was boiling from contact with the hot rock.—Associated Press.

He arranged these cards in the order enabling him to bet and win and restored them to the box by the same manoeuvre.

—Reuter.

## Price Drop In France

Aix-les-Bains, June 22.

The French Premier, M. Antoine Pinay, said in a speech here today that prices had dropped in France by 5.6 per cent in four months as a result of the Government's deflation policy.

This drop was considered by some business circles, he said, as too rapid.

However, he added, it was much easier to fight inflation than inflation.

M. Pinay also said that the special commission set up to examine fiscal reforms was to present its report next week.

This would be the first step towards solving the urgent problem of simplifying the fiscal system.—France-Press.

## Moving Scenes

## Echo Of Mail Bag Robbery

Milan, June 22.

Flowers carpeted the main streets here today and each wept unashamedly as the body of Italy's "Unknown Deporter" returned to its homeland.

The body was that of one of the thousands of young Italian men who died in German concentration camps during the war after having been deported from Italy to forced labour projects in Germany.

A solemn Requiem Mass was said before the plain, shodden coffin in Milan Cathedral.

Cardinal Alfredo Ottaviani imparted the blessing.

The "Unknown Deporter" was buried in a local cemetery where he will remain in a



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### The Election Race In The U.S.

## Don't bank too much on the Primaries

From R. M. MacCOLL

Washington. move on his behalf is building of the best-known and most-respected of America's TV and radio commentators has just told the whole nation on his coast-to-coast broadcast that as far as these elections are concerned "there is no real democracy in America."

He meant by this that in spite of all the sound and fury out in the open, the manoeuvrings, the claims of this and that number of delegates, the fuss over the Primaries and so forth, it means very little when the chips are down. Just who becomes the next American President is decided by a very few powerful men sitting far out of the public eye, and as the result of some "deals" at a high

### Age Snag

BIG drawback — Sam celebrated his 70th birthday this year, and that's a bit on the elderly side as Presidents go. (Septuagenarians Douglas MacArthur and Vice-President Alben Barkley are more or less out of the running principally because it is supposed that their arteries are hardening up a little.

Rayburn's backers want him to stay completely aloof from all the preliminary free-for-alls. "Let Kefauver, Harriman, Senators Kerr and Russell and the rest of them eat one another's throats" is the way they put it.

And one of Rayburn's most devoted adherents, Oklahoma's Senator Mike Monroney, says: "Our man is a tenth ballot position, not a first ballot one." The nominations are decided at Chicago on a series of ballots among the delegates.

The age snag may be got rid of by naming either Rayburn or the 75-year-old Alben Barkley with a much younger Vice-President, such as Illinois Governor Adlai Stevenson or New York's multi-millionaire Averell Harriman.

Harriman is 61—but looks and acts boyish. The nominations are decided at Chicago on a series of ballots among the delegates.

WHO is the lucky Democrat-to-be? If Truman liked to change his mind and resists the "draft" (conspiracy) of which Democrats wistfully talk whenever they feel pessimistic or panicky about their chances, who are we likely to see doing battle with Ike, Taft or Mr X?

Here is a name you have scarcely heard of — Sam Rayburn, egg-bald, shrewd, well-liked, has been the respected Speaker of the House of Representatives for many years. And a very powerful behind-the-scenes

### Eyewash

A LAI Stevenson, born in Los Angeles, is only 52—and is a boy as far as politics are concerned.

If there is an unbreakable deadlock at the Democratic Convention between Harriman, Kefauver, (Truman favours Kefauver) and Senator Richard Russell of Georgia, they might easily turn to one of the two septuagenarians, Rayburn or Barkley, as the only way.

I don't want to sound cynical, but I ought to tell you that one

### Powerful Move

It had no easy birth, this Lansbury. Last year a lot of top-hats and striped trousers watched its painful delivery as London's piece of "Festival" live architecture.

Today all is different.

Striped trousers you don't see. But you do see 500 new houses, flats and maisonettes, three pubs, two churches, three schools, a buzzing market-place and an entirely new version of the old spirit that characterises hard-working East Londoners.

And like a bright strange flower on a bombed site, all this that is new is seen growing alongside all that is grimly worn out in the Poplar-Stepney-East India Dock Road atmosphere.

For one week only there was chaos. Half the school seemed to throng the corridors. But today you occasionally see a boy or girl proceeding quietly to and from the classroom.

Lansbury is becoming, above all, a neighbourhood for children and mothers.

In what must be three of London's finest schools — nursery, infant-junior and secondary — a bold experiment in teaching goes on.

A remarkable blend of educational freedom, informality, self-imposed discipline, creative achievement and proud young citizenship has come to this part of East London, under the driving initiative of spectacled George Mills and Miss M. D. Scott, heads of the Susan Lawrence primary, Mr J. Doyle of Cardinal Griffin secondary, and

## THE ORACLE OF W.5.

THE film producer's world is a restless amalgam of culture, propaganda, belly laughs, big business, temperament, nationalism, entertainment, bad guesses, overdrafts and the sale of ice-cream. Sir Michael Balcon has made the best of it.

At least, after 30 years, he is still in it. That makes him, in his own words, a "professional survivor." The feat has earned him the respect normally reserved for those who have successfully been over the Niagara Falls in barrel.

And with endurance has come power. He produces his own films at Ealing. He is a director of Odeon Theatres, the largest cinema owners in the country. He advises the National Film Finance Corporation on films suitable for Government loans. He is chairman of two groups of independent producers. He has become a kind of oracle, to whom the industry looks for answers.

Yet he has neither the wealth of a J. Arthur Rank nor the creative talent of a Sir Alexander Korda. He owes his present position to the rather prosaic gifts of experience and good sense. In the highly-coloured atmosphere of film-making these drab qualities shine out like reassuring beacons.

### No nonsense

In his quiet suits, mild manner, apologetic air, Sir Michael plays his part of a film producer to the point of understanding. But the total effect is one of sound-finance-and-no-sense, which may account for his winning ways with bankers.

There is nothing Tzarlike about his tiny self-effacing office at Ealing Studios and more people call him "Mickey" than "Sir Michael."

He is extremely nervous, smokes cigarettes with a furious determination, and bounds restlessly from chair to chair. Talking to him is like watching a human metronome. Although he quivers all over while making a public speech, he considers

himself, in the restless world of film, found a formula that makes him, after 30 years, the Professional Survivor... The name is MICHAEL BALCON.

by MILTON SHULMAN

After about 200 pictures for Gaumont-British, Gainsborough and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, and a serious nervous breakdown, Balcon turned up in 1938 at Ealing Studios. His main aim until then had been to make

the war was not only an opportunity for better films. It encouraged an idealistic and, above all, a distinctly native approach to their subject-matter. Most astonishing of all, the public actually liked them.

But it was probably the accident of an economy wave that was chiefly responsible for his bankruptcy of those light-hearted domestic films known as Ealing Comedies. "Hue and Cry" was the first. Then followed "Passport to Pimlico," "Whisky Galore," "Wind Hearts and Crosses," "The Lavender Hill Mob," and "The Man in the White Suit."

Their common denominator was gentle anarchy. They were purged by little people dethroning their own littleness. And they delighted audiences not only at home but in Europe and America, where nothing is so funny as a rebellious Englishman.

### Up and down

Since then he has been up and down with the persistence of a bounding ball, producing films like "The Riot," "The Lodger," "The Vortex," "Journey End," "Ghost Train," "Sunshine Susie," "The Good Companions," "San Demetrio-London," with

people like Ivor Novello, Alfred Hitchcock, Noel Coward, Cedric Hardwicke, Conrad Veidt, Jack Matthews, Stewart Granger, Alec Guinness and probably anyone else in the business you can name.

### In the Lansbury housing project, now a year old, Wayne Mineau finds a

## GLIMPSE OF NEW LONDON

34-year-old Fiona Digby, headmistress of Ricardo Street nursery school.

Headmaster Mills and his youthful staff are determined to cut down the "chalk and talk" of schoolroom. Among juniors aged 8-11 you sometimes see a class quietly at work—alone and without supervision.

Rival illustrated "newspapers" are a major enthusiasm of one group.

Mills tells a significant story: "We decided to abolish the age-old 'please' and 'thank you' — I leave the room idea. A child wishing to leave the room simply gets up and goes — as, indeed, you and I would."

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Throughout the schools a sweeping generosity of glass, light and colour make the old-fashioned ones shake their heads and say: "The place will be filthy in a year."

They were utterly wrong. A fine respect for the beauty of "our school" consumes the children, and of the first two windows that went, one was smashed by the wind and another by the staff.

At small tables each seating four children, a cushioned conversation in the fresh airy canteen sounds more genuine, no politer and less fatuous than in many big teashops.

Not far away, at the ultra-modern Trinity Church, community life is... alive.

More than 120 attend the weekly neighbourhood women's meeting: a hundred old-timers aged 60 to 91 amble comfortably to Grandfather's Afternoon.

Young mothers discuss, play-read, knit, sew, enjoy games and change library books; and youth shows steady progress.

Talking point for church authorities: the Sunday congregations do not increase.

In general, the new neighbourhood begins to thrive. To know just how significant in the lives of its families is this yellow-brick London splash of New Town-in-miniature, you need go no further than Lansbury's Saracen Street.

At No. 30 you meet Barbara and Jim Bostock. He is a printing worker, she a full-time mother. They have a boy of six, twin boys aged three and now two girl-twins of eight weeks.

Jim and Barbara started alphabetically and are going on that way — so the children are Alan, Brid, Colin, (twins), Denis and Elaine (twins).

He reads three or four scripts a week, attends a buzz of directors' meetings, discusses finance over dinner, and keeps an impeccable eye on the work of his own studio.

Balcon's own rewards after three decades of frenetic activity include a secretary, wife, a daughter, Jill, who is married to Cecil Day Lewis, the poet, a son and a briefcase full of work.

Recently won an Oscar, he got £10,000, including heater-gas and electricity.

Mrs B. tells you simply: "There are so many trees around us now it almost feels like the country."

When you hear those words 150 yards from East India Dock Road you know you are in the presence of achievement and begin hopefully to see the prospect for tomorrow's London.

Yet what, indeed, is a bad film? Good notices and no profits or large profits and bad notices? Balcon admits that he doesn't know.

"I make films I like," he told me. "I would never deliberately make a film I thought had no chance at the box-office. A certain amount of idealism in films doesn't do any harm."

Despite its chronic state of crisis, Sir Michael now feels that the industry is in a healthier state than ever before. "We have had many periods of false prosperity. But we recently touched rock-bottom and we have started to rebuild on a sounder basis," he said.

### Less extravagance

His optimism stems from a more rational distribution of box-office receipts, less extravagant production, a growing foreign market and a determination on the part of the people and the Government to keep British films alive.

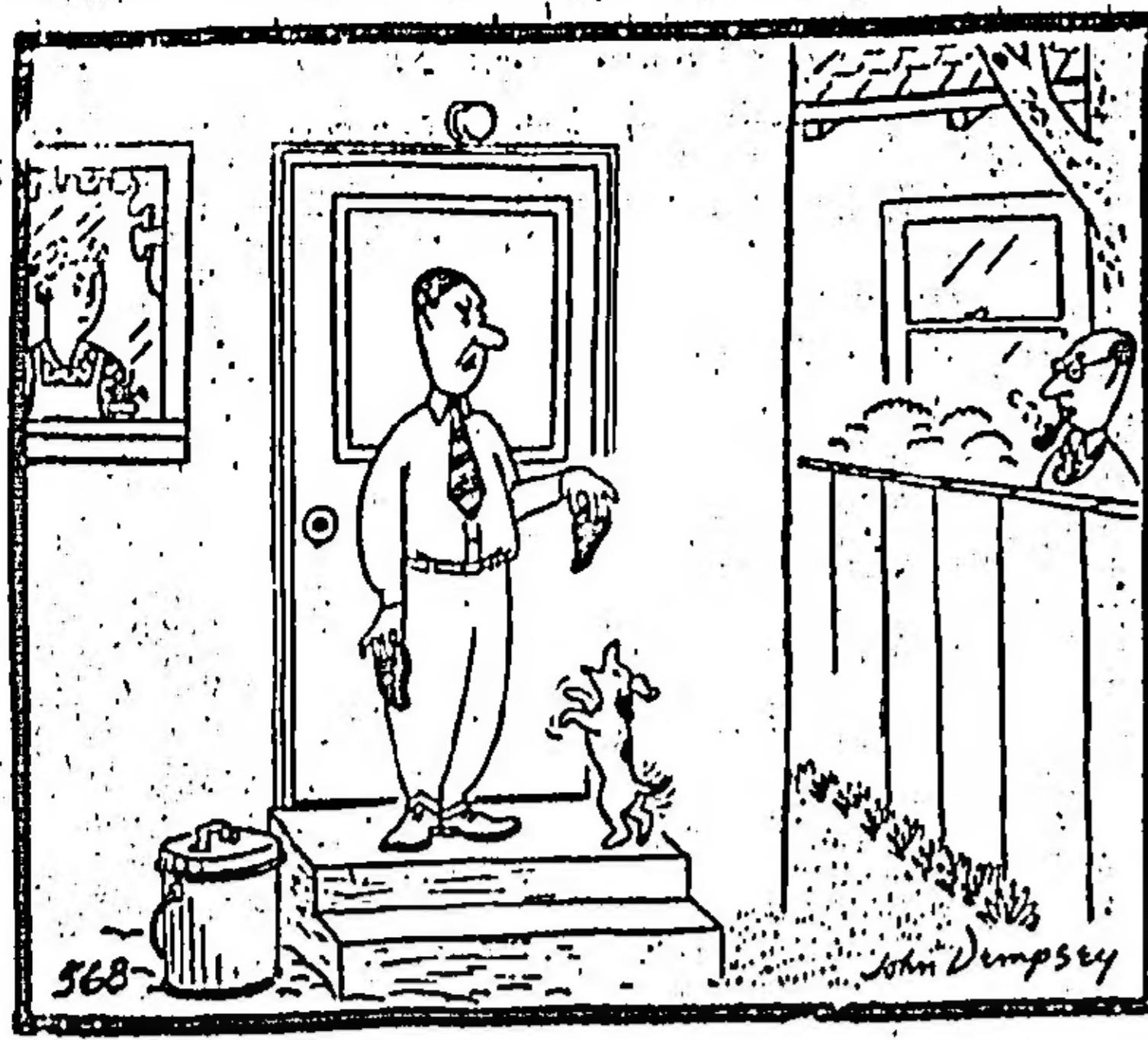
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He tells you all this as if you should feel sorry for him. But don't be fooled by that anxious, sad look in his eyes. He would be miserable doing anything else.



"Tonight we had broccoli, creamed celery, turnip and steaks. Guess what got burnt."

### • BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

**COMPLAINTS** that a new spring hat hides women's ears can easily be dealt with.

Take a pair of scissors. Make a hole in each side of the hat, as horses do for the ears to stick through. The result will be a model that can be worn with a wide-brimmed hat, either be put on at meal-times, or worn permanently, to set off the hat.

#### Diplomatic moves

There must be long faces in the Kremlin nowadays, owing to the Government decision that a Bulgarian diplomat may travel only 17 miles from his foreign residence. And in any direction, except that of Uxbridge. The Russians themselves are luckier. They can go to Hawkhurst in Kent (but not to Three Bridges, Dorking, or Slough). Any Russian diplomat found approaching Hawkhurst via Sheepton Mallett will be escorted back to London. The news that a Hunyadi Stratford led to all roads in the neighbourhood being cordoned off, while hon-coups, dustbins, and also were removed, can continue the lack of spades to run the rest of the hearts.

Travellers' joy

Traveler: "Ned I wish this picture gallery. I saw it two years ago." "Gentleman, you took this four years ago, therefore you must visit the gallery. Fall in! Mrs Upchurch, no talkin', just walkin'. Put out that cigarette, Mr Welshman, smoking hours are from two to four." "A voice: Can we have a drink after the gallery visit is over?"

### YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, JUNE 23

BORN today, your success is apt to come rather late in life, for during youth you are restless, mercurial and appear to be lost. But when you have set your mind on some definite career, you have the tenacity and will power to achieve excellent results. You are one of your own joys and you cannot be completely happy without it. You probably have some talent in this direction and should cultivate it.

Your intuition is exceptionally keen, your insight strong, and you even at moments, appear to be able to forecast the future. These gifts will help keep your star bright. They will be important factors in your life. You have a fine memory, a quick wit, definite

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

CANCER (June 22-May 23)—Be hospitable to strangers in your community. You may make friends for a lifetime.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23)—A hobby might bring pleasant relaxation—and later, even profit. Take time out to play!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—You may collect up old clothes and give them a cheerful and gracious about it.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Routine may be necessary, but looking forward instead of backward will revitalise your initiative.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—It may be wise to live in to a loved one on a controversial issue. It will help keep the peace.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Keep your mind on the job at hand despite diversions. Important things need doing at once.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Careful plans can be worked out advantageously now if you stick to the major trend of your life.

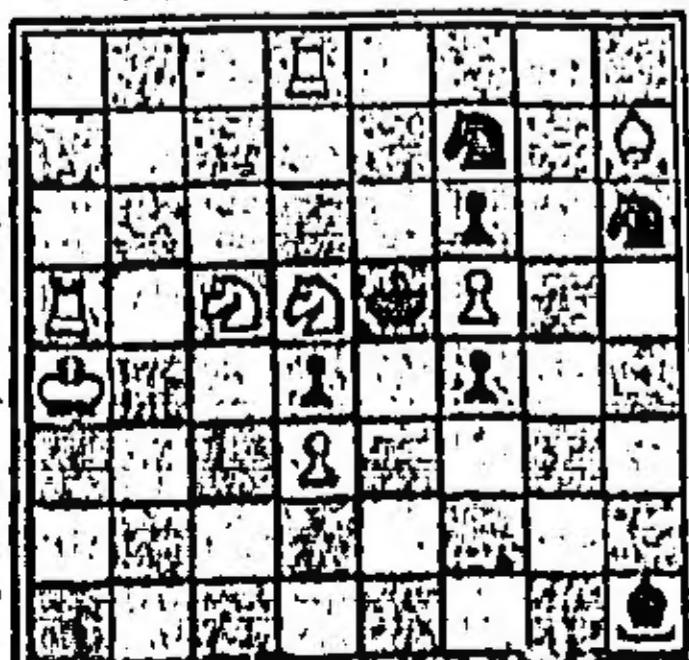
PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't overwork today. Some relaxation is necessary if you are to function properly.

ABIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 18)—Discuss with congenital friends can clarify issues for you just now.

### CHESS PROBLEM

By V. K. CHARL  
(BCF Tournament '50)

Black, 7 pieces.



Solution to Saturday's problem: 1. Q-Q8, any; 2. R, R#, or P, mate.

### INTELLIGENCE TEST

#### CARPETED

By T. O. HARRI

SIR WOOLLEY PALS, technical adviser to the Ministry of Carpet Production, has a client. The latter recently ordered a new rectangular carpet for his conference room. To test Sir Woolley's efficiency, he gave him a sketch of the room and informed him that its longer side was twice the shorter side and the diagonal.

Sir Woolley, unhesitatingly followed his simple directive, ordered a carpet of which the proportions were 10 feet by 5 feet, however, not four-eighths, but one-half of the shorter side and the diagonal.

In consequence, the area of Sir Woolley's carpet exceeds the area of the carpet ordered.

What is the length of the diagonal?

(Solution on Page 10)

### DUCK-BELLS

YOU HAVE COOKED OUR PARROT BY MISTAKE AND IT COULD SPEAK FIVE LANGUAGES!

BY JOHN DEMPSEY

White, 8 pieces.

Solution to Saturday's problem: 1. Q-Q8, any; 2. R, R#, or P, mate.

### JACOBY ON BRIDGE

#### Surprise Awaits You In Strange Hand

NORTH	1		
♦J8	2		
♥A Q 8 5 2	3		
♦4	4		
♦Q	5		
WEST	6		
♦K 9 4	7		
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♦K J 8 4	9		
SOUTH (D)	10		
♦A K Q 10 3	11		
♦7	12		
♦A 10 8 5	13		
♦10 7 5	14		
Both sides vul.			
South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦K			

By OSWALD JACOBY

DON'T try to make much sense out of the bidding in today's hand. The hand was played in a rubber bridge tournament many years ago by my friend and associate Alfred Sheinwold. He needed a slam, to beat his opponents on the last hand of the match. Bidding the hand normally would get him nowhere, so he just bid the slam.

West opened the king of diamonds and Sheinwold won with the ace. He immediately ruffed dummy's queen of hearts, discarded a club on the ace of hearts and ruffed a low heart with the ace of spades.

Even if the hearts had broken 3-3 declarer would have had only one trick, but it was not disappointing when West discarded the four of clubs.

Undaunted by this disappointment, Sheinwold led the three of spades from his hand. West naturally played the four of spades, and dummy's queen of diamonds ruffed to win the trick. This allowed declarer to ruff another heart (with the king of spades) and still get back to dummy with a diamond and forced a trump lead of a spade of spades by the jack of spades to run the rest of the hearts.

All of these shenanigans impressed West vastly. Forgetting that South was obliged to bid a slam or give up meekly, West decided that his clever must have been ace-queen of clubs for his bold bid.

West could see that dummy would get down only three cards: one diamond and two clubs. He feared that he would be thrust in the lead with a diamond and forced to return it to declarer's king-of-the-ace-queen. What could he do to avoid this end play?

West decided to throw his high diamonds and hope that his partner would win the diamond trick eventually. Then East would be able to lead through that much-feared ace-queen of clubs.

Hence West carefully threw away the queen, and Jack of diamonds.

Sheinwold naturally threw away his remaining spades and the diamond from the dummy. He then calmly won the rest of the tricks with the diamonds in his hand, making his ridiculous slam contract with an overtrick.

Philosophy, history, and all intellectual pursuits appeal to you, but you have the tenacity and will power to achieve excellent results.

Most of your joys and your emotions are to be found in your work.

You are emotionally responsive, your marriage should be an eminently happy one.

To the very stars, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

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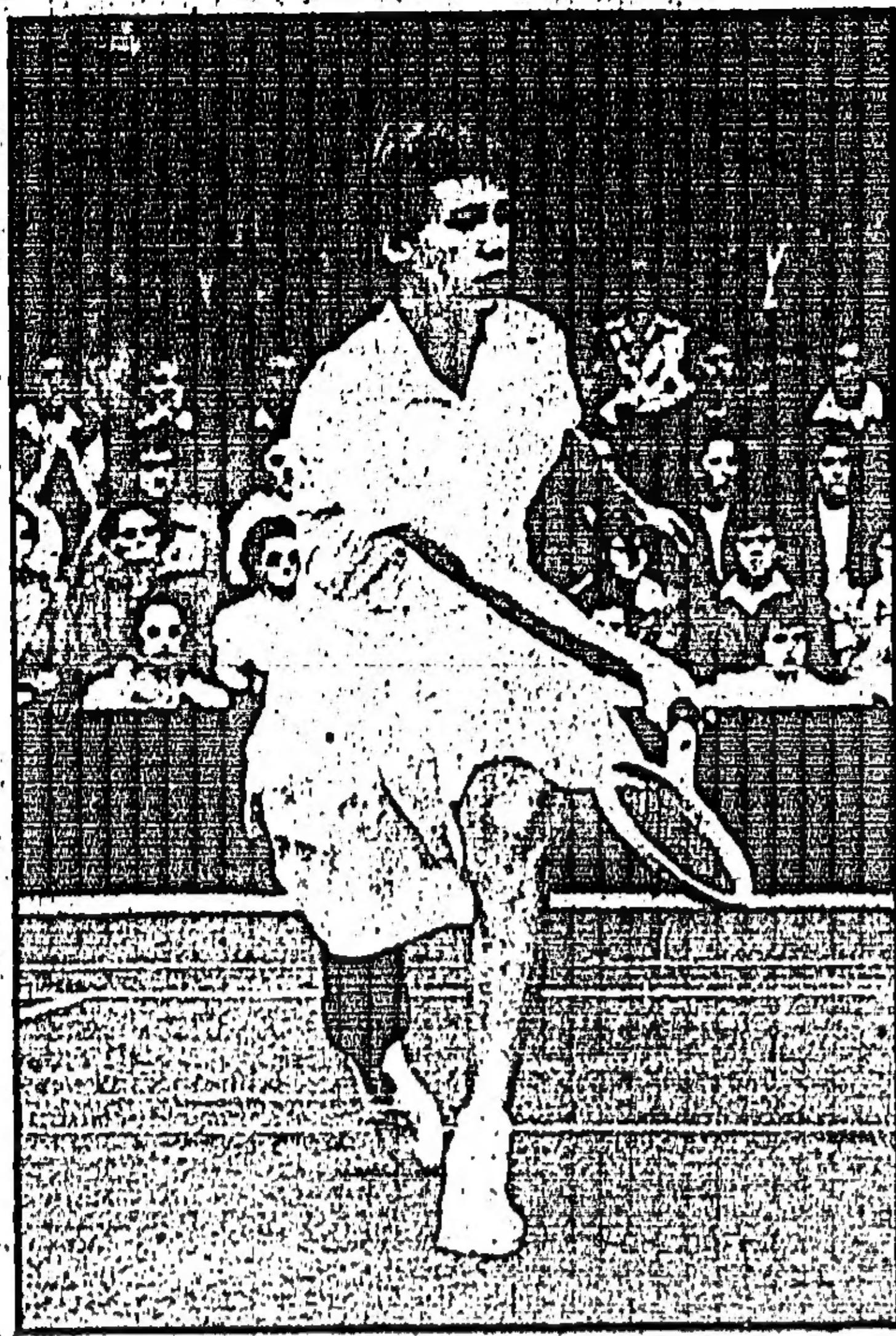
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## THE WIMBLEDON FORTNIGHT STARTS TODAY DEFENDING CHAMPION



Miss Doris Hart (USA) beating Mrs Rinkel (GB) in the first match of the Wightman Cup. Miss Hart is defending Champion at Wimbledon. The Wimbledon (All-England) Championships start today.—Central Press Photo.

## —AND THERE WILL BE NO EASY PASSAGE FOR THE CHAMPIONS

Says CHARLES STEPHEN

The Surrey town of Wimbledon, which, for 50 weeks of the year is just a quiet corner of London's suburbia, today begins a fortnight during which it will provide headline news. Today, the All England Lawn Tennis Championships open.

Although known as All England, the Wimbledon Championships are in fact world championships. All the stars compete and to win a Wimbledon title is regarded as the greatest honour in the game.

Will Australian Frank Sedgman, said by many to be the greatest player in the world, win the Men's Singles? Or will the Americans continue to dominate this event?

Who will triumph in the Women's Singles, Doris Hart, who won last year, Louise Brough, former champion three times, or America's new young star, Maureen Connolly?

These are just a few of the questions which are being hotly debated by enthusiasts the world over, and which promise to make the two weeks a drama-packed festival of tennis at its best.

The winners of the five titles last year were: Men's Singles, Dick Savitt; Women's Singles, Doris Hart; Men's Doubles, Frank Sedgman and Ken McGregor; Women's Doubles, Doris Hart and Shirley Fry; Mixed Doubles, Frank Sedgman and Doris Hart. All will be back this year to defend their titles.

**UNKIND TO FAVOURITES**  
Frank Sedgman is favourite for the Men's Singles. But

Frank knows from experience that Wimbledon is as unkind to favourites as the Derby and the Grand National, for he has been No. 1 seed on the last three occasions, but each time failed to land the coveted trophy.

After his brilliant displays against the Americans in the final of the Davis Cup at Christmas, when he virtually retained the Cup single-handed for Australia, many said that his victory at Wimbledon was inevitable.

Yet this does not automatically follow, for while Sedgman is a great player, it must be remembered that he has his faults.

He has shown a tendency to over-exploit net play by taking chances on indifferent approach shots. This leaves him vulnerable to the passing shot and lob.

The men to exploit this are players such as Drobny, Savitt and Flam, who do not give the ball much air on the backhand, but play over it and make it dip.

It was such tactics that enabled Savitt to beat Sedgman in the Australian Championships last year, and Drobny to beat him in the recent French Championship.

Drobny is the greatest hard-court player in the world, and his devastating form this season has gained him two comfortable wins over Sedgman.

If he could produce the same form on grass, then this Egyptian-domestic Czech would realise his greatest ambition and win the Wimbledon title.

Sedgman's fellow Australian, Ken McGregor, is another strong candidate. He is of the same mould as Sedgman, and if he can find his mark with his devastating cannonball first service, then he may beat Sedgman of his own game, as he did in the Australian Championship this year.

**MOST OPEN IN YEARS**

Others making this the most open Wimbledon for many years are Victor Seixas, who was preferred to Savitt in the London grass court championships at Queen's Club here when he beat his compatriot Mervyn Rose 10-8, 6-2.

Rose, who is seeded No. 8 for the all-England Championships, had reached the final after beaten Vic Seixas (United States) and Ken McGregor (Australia) and he put up a hard fight in the final, but Sedgman, favourite for the Wimbledon title, was right on the top of his form.

If Australia's two top-stringers fail, the title may go 'Down Under' via Ian Ayre or Mervyn Rose, both members of the Davis Cup team; Budgie Patty, 1938 Champion; or one of those brilliant youngsters, Lew Hoad and Ken Rosewall.

**NOT A WORD**

Even when a long putt stopped on the lip of the hole, as at the 17th, or rolled past within an inch of the cup from just off the green, as at the second, not a word passed his lips.

The only time he permitted himself a general remark was at the seventh. There, his shortish putt, though straight, was four feet short. He grinned and told the world in general: "I didn't allow for the uphill gradient."

For the shortest of putts, when the ball was within inches of the hole, Cotton would make a detailed study of the lie from all angles and only when the picture of what was required was firmly fixed in his mind would he make his shot.

He has not yet decided whether he will compete in this year's Open, which commences on July 7 at Royal Lytham and St. Annes.

Before making up his mind, he wants to be certain of his form. If he does not believe himself capable of producing his best golf, he will not tackle this most important of all Championships.

There is his reputation to consider, and while Lytham would be the poorer for his absence, it would be preferable to seeing a Cotton struggling like an amateur golfer.

(London Express Service)

## FIRST DAY AT ROYAL ASCOT



The finish of the big race—the Ascot Stakes, which was won by Flighty Frances (D. Smith up) from Crulwell (L. Piggott up), right, and Vidi Vici (W. H. Carr up) on the opening day of the Royal Ascot meeting.—Central Press Photo.

## Indians Appear To Be In An Irretrievable Position

London, June 22.

India are apparently in an irretrievable position in their Second Test against England at Lord's, needing, as they still do, 165 runs to escape an innings defeat with eight wickets standing.

The first three days' play has seen fortune fluctuate fascinatingly with the pendulum swinging first one way and then the other.

But if any man ever carried a side on his shoulders, it has been Vinoo Mankad in this match.

His batting has mirrored an adventurous streak of gaiety, but what has ensured most is his limit of endurance. His dive for 196 was a good showing on this wicket, but his innings of 86 not out after bowling 73 overs left little doubt in people's minds that he is indeed great.

The second day found Mankad dictating to Simpson and Hutton in the morning, but the England skipper turned the tables in the afternoon and India's total was passed with only one wicket lost.

**SENSATIONAL LAST HOUR**

Then a sensational last hour brought India four quick wickets and she had regained much of the lost ground when England stood at 232 for five.

But on the third day, the grandiloquent guile of Evans and the supporting subtlety of Graveney carried England back to the top and though India are fighting back traditionally in the second innings, it is hard to see them saving this game.

India's collapse on the opening day on a perfect wicket and after a fine start, was no inexplicable as it was repetitious. It once again emphasised the peculiar trait of India's batting.

Lack of nerve and experience at the critical time provide the only possible explanation. Perhaps the fact that they had to measure up to Evans' class bowling after the second rate stuff encountered in Ireland was also contributing factor to this batting failure.

After India's failure with the bat, she could ill afford to miss chances. And yet, failing lapses again cost India dearly. Hutton escaped at 10 and 115, Simpson at 16, May at 22 and 40 and Evans could have been run out.

Some of the above chances were admittedly difficult, but Test cricket demands a safe pair of hands.

**SPOKE IN THE WHEEL**

Just when things were going well for India, Trueman again put a spoke in their wheel. His considerable gait had the Indian batsmen at sixes and sevens. Trueman's speed cannot be called in question but his direction is still wayward, and until he develops better control of length, judgment on his abilities needs to be deferred. But he has the making of a great fast bowler, and though he lacks height, his physique is tremendous.

Miss Connolly, the 17-year-old American champion, had electrical treatment for an injured shoulder to-day. After winning the doubles with Miss Brough she scratched from the mixed in order not to aggravate the injury. — Reuter.

It can now hardly be doubted that Hazare is back in his element and he shoulders a heavy responsibility on Monday.

(London Express Service)

## THE SPORTS ROUND-UP

**BOXING:** Willie Teweel, South African amateur boxer, is following in the footsteps of his famous brother Vic, World Professional Bantamweight Champion.

Willie is in South Africa's Olympic team, and if he wins at Helsinki, he will emulate Vic who won a Gold Medal at the 1948 Wembley Olympics.

**SOCCER:** The England Football Team recently returned from a highly successful continental tour, having received a bonus for their excellent performances.

The Football Association Council, which held its annual meeting last week, congratulated the players on their displays in Italy, Austria and Switzerland, and raised the payment of the 17 players from £60 to £100.

**TENNIS:** Gussie Moran's lace-trimmed panties, which were the talk of the tennis world when she wore them at Wimbledon two years ago, are still in the news.

They take pride of place in an exhibition of sporting trophies which is being taken round America.

Other exhibits are trophies won by Babe Zaharias, the greatest woman athlete ever, Frank Parker, Donald Budge and Alice Marble.

**GOLF:** Max Faulkner, winner of the Open Golf Championship last year, is one of the most colourful players of the game, and also one of the most colourfully dressed.

For the Spalding tournament at Worthing, Max wore a bright yellow shirt, light mustard plus fours, sky-blue socks, blue cap, and a pair of yellow golf shoes, which he had especially made.

**BOXING:** Jake La Motta, of New York, is in the queue for a world title fight. After beating Bob Murphy over 10 rounds in a light-heavyweight bout in Detroit last week, he announced that he will seek a fight with the winner of the Joey Maxim-Ray Robinson fight which is being staged in New York on June 23.

(London Express Service)

## SWEDEN BEATS DENMARK 4-3

Stockholm, June 22. Sweden beat Denmark by four goals to three in an international soccer match here today, having led by three goals to nil at half-time.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS



# America Will Have A Powerful Team In The Helsinki Games

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## Seven Records Go At AAA Championships

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He easily won the 100 yards in 9.6 secs, which equalled the British and championship records and took the 220 yards in 21.4 seconds.

The Queen and Princess Margaret and a crowd of over 50,000 saw a number of records smashed on the final day of the championships, the last "try outs" for British athletes before the Olympic team is selected.

Altogether, in the two days, seven records of one kind or another were broken while two were equalled.

Roger Bannister and Bill Nankiville, who are almost certain to run for Britain in the 1,500 metres in the Olympics, showed fine form.

Bannister easily won the half mile in 1 min. 51.5 secs, while Nankiville, with a brilliant late run, took the mile in 4 mins. 9.8 secs.

John Disney scored a fine win in the two miles steeple chase and set up a new championship record with a time of 9 mins. 44 secs, the fastest ever recorded for this event in the world.

SEGEDIN THIRD

He beat the holder of the title, Peter Segedin (Yugoslav), out of sight. Segedin, who has won the title for the past two years set up the previous record of 9 mins. 55.6 secs, last year.

To-day, he finished third.

Roland Hardy, who won the two-mile walk championship record time yesterday, took the seven miles walk today. He again broke the championship record with 50 mins. 50 secs, to win the event for the third successive year.

Arthur Wint, of Jamaica, Olympic 400 metres champion, had no difficulty in winning the 440 yards in 48.1 secs.

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Upswing In Cotton In New York

Substantial Orders For Textiles

New York, June 22. Cotton futures closed last week on higher ground, continuing the upswing which got under way about a month ago. At Friday's close, the list ruled 50 to 62 points — \$1.50 to \$3.10 a bale — higher than the previous week.

The dominant trading feature of the period was persistent strength in nearby July delivery as traders prepared for the first notice day on Tuesday.

Spot month rose on Friday, establishing a high level since early April.

Open contracts in July as the week closed were estimated at around 420,000 bales. The certificate stock amounted to 72,518 bales.

Strength in July aided new crop positions but later in the week that section of the list met opposition in the form of realising and hedge selling encouraged by the favourable tone of crop news.

The Eastern belt and south-western section have sent in an increasing number of complaints about insect infestation and actual damage but private crop reports said farmers were generally well supplied with poisons and would use it to combat the insect infestation.

United Press.

Consumption Of Wool

Washington, June 22. U.S. consumption of raw wool averaged 8,300,000 pounds in April, unchanged from March.

Apparel wool consumption increased two per cent but this was offset by a 1 per cent decrease in carpet wool.

U.S. total consumption of raw wool in the January-April period was 140,200,000 pounds compared with 104,000,000 pounds in the same period of last year, a decline of 23 per cent.

Consumption of apparel wool for the four months period was 18,000,000 pounds against 16,700,000 of carpet wool. 41,000,000 pounds against 34,900,000 pounds.

— United Press.

Oil Drilling In Taiwan

Taipei, June 22. Dr. Clarence E. Decker, assistant director for the Mutual Security Agency (MSA) in the Far East, today watched the start of oil drilling operations in Northwest Formosa.

Dr. Decker arrived from Manila yesterday for a six-day survey of MSA activities in Formosa. — Associated Press.

# THE BURDEN OF TAXES

## Curtailment Of Production And Savings General Condemnation By Accountants' Congress

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

New York, June 22. The Japanese Government consulted to the Chaco National Bank in April a large amount of silver for sale on the New York silver market, a bank spokesman said today.

This is believed to be the same 3,200,000 ounces referred to in a report out of Tokyo earlier today. The Bank spokesman declined to comment on whether the shipment has already been disposed of.

During May, Messrs. Handy and Harman, the bullion dealers cut the price of foreign silver in New York to 80¢ cents an ounce. The arrival of Japanese silver is believed to have been one of the factors contributing to price reductions. — United Press.

Established itself in overseas markets, will and must stay there — whatever temporary vicissitudes it might suffer here or there.

## INVESTORS UNEASY

He concluded: "It would be harmful to prestige and dangerous to the balance of payments position to hint at restricting industry every time there was a seasonal, local or temporary recession in trade."

Whatever plans the Government may have for achieving external equilibrium in the second half of this year, it would seem from a study of the market situation during the week that investors are in a mood of uneasy questioning.

As "The Economist" puts it, they query whether the Government's object is accomplishable without further stern measures to secure the diversion of exports to hard currency markets and to hold back internal demand.

One encouraging feature of the week has been the revival of interest in foreign bonds. While gilt-edged issues began the week fairly well, prices were juddering by mid-week.

## THE FINANCE BILL

In a week in which British investors have shown no inclination to be cheered, despite the improved gold reserves position — War Loan fell 17½d. in a day — this question of the influence of taxation on business has been further brought to mind with the conclusion of the report stage of the Finance Bill in the House of Commons.

The "Financial Times," discussing again today the implications of the Bill in respect of company taxation, says that changes in this taxation, except for the arbitrarily exempted class of companies (those that do not pay the Excess Profits Levy), have raised the rates of taxation to a new and even more dangerous level than before.

The need for companies to modernise is becoming increasingly more obvious — but the Excess Profits Levy, which falls with special severity on expanding companies, the "Financial Times" continues, will deplete reserves.

"In a period of inflation," it continues, "British Industry has managed to increase its capital and modernise some of it — but only by saddling itself with a great deal of debt."

## THE DANGER

"The danger is that the end of inflation will show by how much high taxes have prevented a complete modernisation; and that, unless rates are reduced, growing competition will leave the United Kingdom farther and farther behind in the race for solvency."

Taxation problems apart, there are those who think British industry will have to revise its thinking in tackling world competition.

A good deal of interest has been attached to this past week's comments by the Chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries in London that industry faces a buyer's and not a seller's market now.

The Government is reported to be anxious in the new export drive to see new lines pursued in the effort to save Sterling and restore the country's gold and dollar reserves.

Foreign bonds were active. Japanese 1930's gained nearly 2½d. £132, 1910's were up 2d. to 68½. Tokyo 5 per cent were up 2d. to 284, while gains of 4½d. and 4d. were numerous. — United Press.

## STEEL ALLOCATIONS

This may raise a question regarding steel allocations. Should these be revised in order to support firms wishing to stop up the export trade along new lines?

Philippines sources said representatives of leading American labour organisations, the State Department and the Department of Interior are to testify in favour of the Bill.

Opposition to such a policy has been expressed already by the Rockies motor car chief in a published reply to an article in "The Economist".

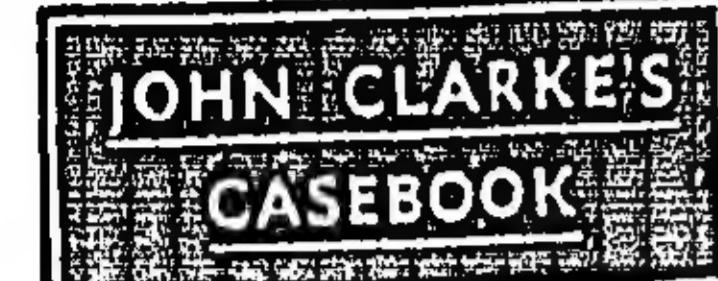
He deplored the suggestion that whenever an industry ran into difficulties in selling its vehicles abroad there should be a consequent cut in steel for the benefit of other industries that could use it more profitably — as "The Economist" correspondent had put it.

The motor industry, the Rockies' chief, argued, having

ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

## SAILINGS

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## Five To Feed

**T**HE detective in the witness-box said: "This was a particularly mean theft. The owner of the stolen property is a woman of 88 who has often given hospitality to the defendant, who has rewarded her in this fashion."

In the Bow Street dock Milligan winced at each word the detective emphasised. She was a plump girl of 20, with mouse-coloured hair that reached to her shoulders, and she had plucked guily to stealing a ring and a brooch from her next-door neighbour in the barracks-like buildings where she lived. "She found the door of the next-door flat open," the detective went on, "and just went inside and took the property. She has sold some of it to a pawnbroker for 28s."

**M**ILLICENT cringed in a corner of the dock, as if she felt the frowning, self-righteously indignant looks of the public gallery upon her back. Almost every eye in the court was upon her and almost every eye was hostile.

After a little pause the detective went on speaking, but now his tone was quite different. He said to the magistrate, Mr Bertram Reece: "Although I have said these thefts were mean, there are excuses. This woman is only 20, and she has three children, aged three years, two years, and five months. Her husband often keeps her short of money. On this particular week he allowed her 30s. to feed the five of them. She told me she stole to buy food for the children, and I believe this to be true."

And now all those who had looked so virtuous and disapproving began themselves to look disconcerted.

"**H**ER husband," the detective said, "is a labourer. He says he earns £6 9s. a week, but his wife did not know that, she thought he only got £5. This week the husband has not been to work."

The girl in the dock, the mother of three, with her half-style that parodied something from Hollywood and the world-weariness of a very old woman in her face, looked abjectly down at her feet as if she hated to have all these private things made so public.

"What do you say about this?" the magistrate asked her.

She just shook her head at that and lifted her eyes to survey Mr Reece without emotion.

"**T**HE officer was not using any extravagant language when he said that was a mean thief," the magistrate said. "However, the background in this case does make it rather different, I agree. But I've got to think of this old lady, you know..."

He was silent for a moment, and then he called Miss Hamilton, the probation officer. "You know this defendant, do you?" he asked her. Miss Hamilton said that Millie had been referred to as colleague by hospital matron for advice and assistance about matrimonial matters.

"You can do something to help her, I'm sure," the magistrate said with confidence.

"Yes we can help her," Miss Hamilton said, with a reassuring look towards Millie.

"Well, I shall put you on probation," Mr Reece said to Millie, "are you agreeable to that?"

**M**ILLICENT nodded and then without sign or token of what her feelings were, she left the courtroom. It was nearing dinner time for her hungry family, there was that to be thought of, there was always that.

## ID-U-L-FITR OBSERVANCE

If the new moon is seen this evening id-ul-fitr will be observed tomorrow, otherwise the festival will fall on June 25. Mr Firdoz Khan, Chairman of the Pakistan Muslim Society announced this morning.

Id-ul-fitr prayer will be held at Jumma Mosque, 30 Shelley Street, Hongkong and the Kowloon Mosque, Nathan Road, at 10 a.m. sharp, on the day of the festival.

Heads of departments are requested to grant leave to their Muslim employees to enable them to attend the services.

## Korean War Is Two Years Old On Wednesday

**T**OKYO, June 22.—The Korean war is two years old on Wednesday and peace never seemed farther away. Bitter, stalemate fighting crackles through rugged, lonely mountain country. Armistice talks have reached an impasse. The weary soldier hopes only for rotation. Even the Generals rotate.

The US Eighth Army—an international outfit of 17 nations—ranges across a 155-mile battlefield opposing an estimated million-man army of Chinese and North Koreans.

During almost a year of truce talk the enemy has steadily built its strength. The question now is: What do the Reds intend doing with a million men in Korea?

Do they plan a powerful

Eighth Army Commander General James A. Van Fleet, thinks not.

"It is difficult for me to see how the enemy could win," he told a news conference. "The enemy must realise that the Eighth Army, with its trained divisions, its massed firepower, its mobility and its naval and air support would make him pay a disastrous price."

But other Allied authorities say they do not think the Eighth Army—at its present strength of less than half the enemy's—could get far in an offensive of its own.

Only one issue—return of prisoners—blocks a Korean armistice.

**T**HE BEGINNING

Acting on the principle of freedom of nations, the UN entered the Korean conflict after the Reds of North Korea smashed across the 38th parallel into South Korea at 5 a.m. on June 25, 1950.

As two years of war ends, the Allies are standing on another principle of freedom of the individual. They say Red prisoners in their hands have the right to decide—as individuals—whether they want to return to Communist territory.

**P**laintiffs Awarded Damages

Judgment for plaintiffs in the sum of \$5,578 and costs (namely, return of the deposit plus loss of profit on the resale in the United States) and on the counter-claim for costs, was delivered by Mr Justice Williams in the Supreme Court this morning.

Plaintiffs, the United Trade

Developments Ltd., of No 1 Duddell Street, claimed damages for non-delivery of 20 tons of old broken gunny bag waste.

They were represented by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr H. K. Woo.

Defendants who brought a counter-claim for damages for non-acceptance of the goods, were the Hip Shing Firm, merchants, of No 10, Kwai Heung Street. They were represented by Mr V. L. J. Dalton, on the instructions of Messrs Hastings.

Dealing with the point of rejection of the cargo, his Lordship said that in the conflict of evidence as to the state of the dryers, he preferred the evidence given by Messrs Anderson and Ashe and he held that the cargo was in a wet condition, and that this was also a breach of the condition of the contract entitling plaintiffs to reject.

On Jan. 21, the Eighth Army

went on the offensive. By April 8, the enemy had again been driven out of all South Korea east of the Imjin River.

**A**TTACKS FAIL

On April 23 and again on May 10, the Communists launched their two most powerful attacks of the war. Both failed. The enemy suffered enormous casualties.

On June 24, Mr Jacob A. Malik, Soviet UN delegate, advocated a Korean cease-fire and armistice during a broadcast on a UN radio programme.

Out of this suggestion came the truce talks which began July 10 at Kaesong.

After months of wrangling the talks were transferred, on October 15, to Panmunjom. Agreement was reached on a cease-fire which extends mostly above the 38th parallel, then southward.

It hasn't been a slower war for the Air Force. Last month Allied warplanes flew 29,613 sorties and destroyed 39 enemy planes. Forty-five Allied planes were lost over North Korea during May 20 to increasingly effective ground fire.

Communists, who limit the use of their planes almost exclusively to aerial fighting, have lost 400 planes in the war. The Allies have lost about 1,400. The swiftest Allied jet—the Sabre jet—continues to score big victories over the ultra fast Communist MiG-15s. Last month's tally: Thirty-two MiGs destroyed compared with six Sabres.

**F**RIGHTFUL LOSS

Korea has suffered frightful loss and devastation in two years of war. Its government claims it has sustained 2,000,000 casualties dead, wounded and missing.

South Koreans died by the thousands as the tide of war surged up and down the peninsula. Their suffering was insatiable in the bitter winter of 1950-51.

ROK government spokesman Clarence Rhee told the Associated Press an estimated 500,000 of the South Korean civilian casualties are dead.

The war, he said, made 10,000,000 South Koreans homeless. Many of these have been cared for by the Korean government and the UN Civil Assistance Command. A total of 632,645 civilian homes and public buildings have been demolished. Allied casualties in the war, counting more than 200,000 ROK soldiers, were estimated by United Nations sources last April 30 at 410,450.

The Allies claim the Communists have suffered well over 1,670,000 casualties.

When the Reds started the Korean war, they seemed unstoppable. They plunged down

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



You're always reading about rocketing around in space—Instead of disappearing on a fishing trip this year, why don't you go to the moon?"

## Woman's Friendship With Alleged Acid-Thrower CRIMINAL SESSIONS TRIAL

A 25-year-old woman, Lo Po-hong, alias Lo Lan-hing, of 9, Lin Fat Street, second floor, when giving evidence in the Criminal Sessions this morning, was unable to raise her voice sufficiently for the Jury and the accused to hear clearly every word. So Mr Justice Williams, Senior Puisne Judge, told the woman to leave the witness-box and stand at the usher's desk which is adjacent to the Jury box.

It was at the trial of a tailor, Cheung Tan, alias Cheung Kai-chuen, who denied an indictment for throwing corrosive fluid at the woman, unlawfully and maliciously, with intent to cause her grievous bodily harm. He was not legally represented.

Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, conducted the case for the Crown, assisted by Det.-Sub-Inst. C. C. Chan. An all-male jury was empanelled.

Crown Counsel informed the Court that the fluid was hydrochloric acid. It caused burns to the woman's face and clothes and there was a stain of the acid on the accused's jacket pocket when arrested.

The accused and the woman had been good friends for several years said Mr Greenfield, but she grew tired of him.

Mr Greenfield pointed out that the woman had not suffered any permanent injury as a result of the attack.

Giving her version of the story of what happened, the woman said that she worked as a coupon seller at Luna Park since June last year and earned \$150 a month. Her hours were from 1:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. She first got to know the accused about May, 1950. He was a tailor and she went to him for dresses to be made.

Later they became friends and went out together to pictures and restaurants.

**GIVEN PRESENTS**

She went on, "He made me presents of clothing and materials for dresses. He also loaned me \$30 on one occasion. I have repaid him. He did ask me to marry him but I replied that owing to poor financial circumstances it was not possible and so I turned down the proposal. He used to come to Luna Park to take me home at night."

"What happened to your friendship in the end?" asked Mr Greenfield.

The complainant replied that the relationship between her and the accused was never more than casual and never reached the intimate stage.

She added, "We broke up the relationship. He accused me of having made the acquaintance of another boy friend. This was not true. I returned his presents at his request. This happened early this year."

Witness said that when the accused was sick she went to see him at his call. Later she saw him at the tram stop about 11:30 p.m. Witness said, "If you are sick you had better not come along; go back and take a rest." They parted.

**MAN'S ACCUSATION**

She saw him again the following night when he said to her, "You have turned to become unfaithful" and asked for the return of his presents." She said, "When do you want them back?" and he replied "Wednesday."

On the appointed night they met but he refused to take back the clothing and so she retained them. On another night after this incident she saw him again.

The accused walked with her to the entrance of her home and after she had ascended a few stairs he called to her to come down. She did so and the pair walked in the direction of Queen's Road East.

Here they conversed and he again said she had become unfaithful. The woman replied, "Whether or not that is so, that is my business. No matter what, you and I cannot get together."

Witness said that the accused then uttered these words, "Unless you die at my hands I will not bear the surname of Cheung."

She then replied, "If you have got murderous methods, it will not be allowed by the law." They parted.

Witness added that she became afraid and went to Kowloon to stay at her mother's place and after three nights she returned to her home in Lin Fat Street.

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## Hongkong

June in China is generally expected to be a wet month, and we have not in the present been in any way disappointed. Taking in the last week of May, of the thirty days that have elapsed since the Mall closed, there has been rain—aggregating a depth of upwards of sixteen inches (the half of a year's fall in England). From the interior of the adjacent provinces we have painful intelligence of damage to rice crops by the flooding of lands bordering the rivers and water courses, and hear that the loss of life by drowning may be placed at thousands. The month has not been a hot one, nor has there been any other weather phenomena of more particular remark than will be found among our extracts.

The health of the troops in Garrison is good—more especially the European portion. Altogether, of no particular disease, there are 84 sick in hospital; viz., 59th Regiment 58-Ordnance 13-Ceylon Rifles 13. Of the last mentioned corps there has been two deaths during the month, which is all the garrison mortally we have to report. Among the juvenile portion of the community we hear of a good deal of dysentery, and our obituary has the names of two victims to it.

The topics of principal discussion during the month have been in connection with the liberation of two criminals both of whom (one an Irishman, the other a Chinese boy) were under sentence of transportation for respective periods of fifteen years. Burke (the Irishman) had been upwards of two years in confinement, waiting an opportunity to be conveyed to some cooler and pleasanter destination. His discharge, as an act of that mercy which the Crown delegates to its Governors on the occasion of a royal birthday, could never have been granted had His Excellency been fully aware of the circumstances under which he was convicted.

The liberation of the boy is a pleasing feature in the administration of the present Governor; but in this instance, where a proper action was performed, we have reason for believing that the Colonial Secretary did not advise as it was his bounden duty as he was bounden to do; and against all law and custom, the poor lad was worked in double irons on the roads until the hour his pardon was prepared in the council room. There was never a more signal instance of the benefit of the Press in this Colony than the liberation of this lad—all other legitimate means having failed before the subject was centred on.

## CHINA NEWS

It is reported that on the 1st and 4th days of the 4th moon (May 21st, 22nd) the rebels Kwang-sze, clearing to make another attack on the city of Kwei-lin, pitched their camp in the district of Woo-le-hen. As soon as the General San-chen heard of this, he associated himself with Chin-ye-ssu, the Governor-General of Hoo-nan and Hoo-pi, and the Major-General Heng-ying, and marching from Yang-su-hen with 3,000 soldiers from Kwang-tung, 3,000 from Ching-chow, 5,000 from Hoo-nan and 8,000 from Yunnan, Kwei-shaw, and Sy-chuen, all the three proceeded to the district of Woo-le-hen to fight with the rebels. Moreover the troops within the City of Kwei-lin came out and attacked the rebels in the rear, so that more than 100 of them were killed and 3 banners, and 60 guns captured. The rest of the rebels, who escaped, fled to Hing-gan-been (which is about 100 li. NE from Kwei-lin) and commenced a disturbance there. At present the gates of the city of Kwei-lin are again open and trade is allowed to go on as usual—4th moon, 25th day.

**HIKET UBIQUE**

Welcome For Black Watch

KOREA, June 23.—Scouts of the King's Own Scottish Borderers came down out of their Korean hills today to pipe a welcome to officers and men of the 1st Battalion of the Black Watch.

The Battalion arrived by train and immediately were transferred to their camp. As their train pulled in to the siding, the full band of the KOSE piped a formal march of the Black Watch, "Hielan Laddie."

Pipe Major R. Erickson of Dundee said, "It's good to hear. The Scotsmen piped us along the banks of the Suez Canal and the Gordons welcomed us to Singapore. Then the Argylls gave us a tune in strong song, and now we're getting a welcome to Korea."

The Commonwealth Division commander, Major-General A. J. G. Cuthill, said, "You have a very fine reputation, and I'm sure you will not only live up to it but enhance it." We are delighted to have you with us."—Reuter.